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2.	Institute of Chartered Accountants of India	1. Shri Jitesh Khosla 2. Shri O.P. Vaish, 3. Shri Anil Agarwal, 4. Shri Manoj K. Sarkar, 5. Dr. Pritam Singh, 6. Shri A.K. Awasthi, 7. Shri R. Sekar, 8. Shri K.R. Maheshwari,
3.	Institute of Cost and Works Accountants of India	1. Shri Praveen Kumar 2. Dr. D. Jagannathan 3. Shri Rakesh Kumar Jain 4. Shri S.G.Y. Narayanan

Serious frauds office to Monitor vanishing companies

3520. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the Minister of COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any decrease in the number of vanishing companies after the setting up of the serious frauds office in his Ministry;

(b) if so, the number of companies declared as vanished before the setting up of the serious frauds office and that after the setting up of the office; and

(c) the other steps being taken/proposed to be taken by the serious frauds office to contain the instances of vanishing companies?

THE MINISTER OF COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The Government approved setting up of Serious Fraud Investigation Office on 9th January 2003. However, it started functioning from 1st October, 2003.

A Coordination and Monitoring Committee (CMC), co-chaired by Secretary, Ministry of Company Affairs (MCA) and Chairman, SEBI was set up in March, 1999 to settle the policy issues regarding the delinquent companies/promoters and to monitor the progress in regard to action against vanishing companies. 229 companies were originally identified as

vanished. With the continuous efforts of CMC, 115 companies have been traced back, as these companies were found to be regular in filing statutory returns, etc., resulting in the number of Vanishing Companies being reduced to 114 as of now.

(c) The Serious Fraud Investigation Office has no role to play with regard to the monitoring of action taken against Vanishing Companies.

Construction of a road-link beneath or around Humayun's Tomb

3521. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to construct a road-link beneath or around Humayun's Tomb;

(b) whether his Ministry has assessed the impact of this project over Humayun's Tomb; if so; the details thereof;

(c) whether his Ministry has taken a view for clearing the project;

(d) if so, the reasons for the Ministry's clearance; and

(e) whether Government have any other alternative to the road project; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) The Government of NCT of Delhi had submitted a proposal for construction of a road link connecting NH-2 with Lala Lajpat Rai Road. The proposal link road is passing through at a distance of 340 metres from the protected limits of Humayun's Tomb.

(b) to (d) The proposal of the Government of NCT of Delhi was examined by an Expert Advisory Committee constituted by the Archaeological Survey of India, and based on the deliberations of the Committee, the Archaeological Survey of India had issued a conditional No Objection Certificate to the proposed link road. As the response of the Government of NCT of Delhi to the conditionalities has not been received, the NOC has been kept under suspension.

(e) No alternate proposal has so far been received by the Archaeological Survey of India.